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Martha E. Rudolph, Director Environmental Programs Colorado Department Public Health and Environment 4300 Cherry Creek Drive South Denver, Colorado 80246-1530

Re: Approval of Revisions to Colorado's Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO) Program

Dear Ms. Rudolph:

The Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8, has reviewed Colorado's final CAFO regulatory package. The package was submitted to the EPA on August 7, 2015. The EPA has determined that Colorado's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program revisions related to EPA's 2008 CAFO rule meet the requirements as outlined in 40 C.F.R. 123.62. Therefore, the EPA approves Colorado's NPDES program revisions for the 2008 CAFO rules and regulations.

I appreciate the efforts of you and your staff in working to adopt and implement the 2008 CAFO rule. If you have any questions or need additional clarification, please contact me or your staff may contact Colleen Rathbone of my staff at (303) 312-6133.

Sincerely,

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Regional Administrator

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